



## IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PERSONS AUTHORIZED DISABLED PARKING PRIVILEGES

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Persons who are certified by an authorized health care specialist as having a permanent or temporary disability that limits or impairs their ability to walk are eligible for a disabled parking identification (DIS ID) card, disabled license plates or disabled veterans license plates.

When using a DIS ID card issued to an individual, a copy of the completed eligibility certification **MUST** be kept on their person or in the vehicle to provide to a traffic officer upon request. Make and keep a copy of the certification, signed by your health care provider, **before** submitting the application to WI DOT.

A motorist who displays a DIS ID card, disabled license plates or disabled veterans license plates on their vehicle:

- Is exempt from any parking ordinance imposing time limits of one-half hour or more, but is otherwise subject to the laws relating to parking. See limitations, restrictions and prohibitions to parking below.
- Can park at a municipally-owned/leased lot without payment in **metered spaces** when the time limit is one-half hour or more.
- May park in spaces reserved for disabled persons marked by official traffic signs indicating the restriction. A parking space not displaying the official traffic sign is **not** an authorized disabled parking space.
- May obtain motor fuel from a full-service pump at the same price as the motor fuel dispensed from a self-service pump at locations with both types of service, if the driver is the disabled person. The vehicle must display disabled license plates, disabled VET plates or a DIS ID card. The driver of the vehicle **must ask** for the same price as charged for motor fuel dispensed from a self-service pump.

### Restrictions and prohibitions to parking

A city council of a 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> class city may enact an ordinance imposing a 3-hour or less limitation on parking of a motor vehicle used by a physically disabled person upon any portion of a street, highway or parking facility reserved by the city for physically disabled persons by official traffic sign indicating the limitations or restrictions. To enact such an ordinance, the city council must comply with specific conditions pursuant to section 346.50(3m)(b)1 through (b)5, Wisconsin Statutes. These and other statutes may be accessed through the following link:

<http://www.legis.state.wi.us/>

**The following are PROHIBITED:**

- Fraudulent reproduction, procurement, alteration, manufacture, or duplication of a DIS ID card or disabled license plates. Persons in violation shall forfeit not less than \$200, nor more than \$500 per incident and the DIS ID card and/or disabled license plates may be cancelled and ordered to be returned to the department.
- Selling or lending a DIS ID parking card to a person knowing that the person borrowing the card is not authorized by law to use it. This prohibition also applies to allowing another person to operate their vehicle registered with disabled license plates and to park in spaces reserved for the physically disabled when the vehicle operator is not authorized to do so. Violators may be required to forfeit not more than \$300.
- Displaying a DIS ID card upon a vehicle that is not authorized by law to have the card displayed upon. Violators may be required to forfeit not more than \$200.
- Parking in certain specified places to include loading zones, an alley located in a business district, within 10 feet of a fire hydrant unless a greater distance is indicated by an official traffic sign, within 4 feet of the entrance to an alley or a private road or driveway, closer than 15 feet to the near limits of a crosswalk and upon any portion of a highway where parking is prohibited, limited or restricted by official traffic signs.
- Operating a motor vehicle when the DIS ID card is left hanging from the rearview mirror. Failure to remove the card when operating the vehicle creates an obstruction to a driver's clear view through the front windshield pursuant to section 346.88(3)(b), Wisconsin Statutes. Violators may be required to forfeit not less than \$20 nor more than \$100.
- Leaving or parking any motor vehicle on public or private property when the owner or lessee of the property has posted a sign indicating for whom parking is permitted, limited, restricted or prohibited.
- Parking contrary to emergency snow removal ordinances, nighttime restrictions requiring a special permit, special events within the state when signs or bags are posted stating that parking is limited, restricted or prohibited or any other reason allowed by statute or local ordinances.
- Leaving or parking any motor vehicle on private property without the consent of the owner or lessee of the property.
- Stopping or leave standing any vehicle on the left side of a highway except as provided in sections 167.30(4)(co) (Physically disabled persons having a class a or b hunting license) or 346.54 (How to park and stop on streets), Wisconsin Statutes.

Additional information may be obtained:

Call: 608-266-3041;

FAX: 608-267-5106

E-mail: [special-plates.dmv@dot.state.wi.us](mailto:special-plates.dmv@dot.state.wi.us)

Internet: <http://www.dot.wisconsin.gov/drivers/vehicles/disabled>

or by writing to:

Wisconsin Department of Transportation  
Special Plates Unit  
PO Box 7306  
Madison, WI 53707-7306